Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr.
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Director, FBI 62-1090905 Reference is made to your request to be advised of any derogatory information available in this Bureau's files concerning J. Lee Rankin, former Solicitor General of the United States. This Bureau conducted an applicant-type investigation in January, 1953, at which time Mr. Rankin was being considered for the position of Assistant Attorney General. Also, this investigation was brought up to date for the Atomic Energy Commission in 1955 as Mr. Rankin was then being considered as the Department's representative to the President's Committee on Disarmament Problems. Both investigations were entirely favorable and copies of the investigative reports thereof have previously been furnished the Department. Our files contain no subsequent pertinent information concerning Mr. Rankin. (77-55004; 116-421465) NOTE: Nemorandum 12/6/63 A. Rosen to Mr. Belmont reflected a request be Miller for a name check concerning Rankin, who is being considered for the post of chief counsel for the marren. Committee which is inquiring into the circumstances surrounding the assassination of President Kennedy. Relations between Kankin and the Bureau have been excellent.

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